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| 6. | Purulia PSS (West Bengal) . . . . | 900 MW | 1456.56 |
| 7. | Kothagudam TPS St. V (Andhra Pradesh) | . 2x250 MW | 1890.00 |
| 8. | Ramgarh Gas Based Power Project (Rajasthan) | . 1x35.5 MW | 120.83 |
| 9. | Kopili Extn., NEEPCO (Assam) | . 2 x 50 MW | 101.97 |
| 10. | Tehri HPP, THDC (UP) . . . . | . 4x250 MW | 3334.50 |
| 11. | SingurHEP..... | 2x7.5MW | 24.45 |

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

**Plant Load Factor of I hernial Power Stations in Uttar Pradesh**

4530. DR. NAUNIHAL SINGH : Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that plant load factor of Thermal Power Stations in Uttar Pradesh is very low ; if so, the reasons therefor ;

(b) what is the percentage of plant load factor together with the reasons for in that State ; and

(c) what are the details of steps Government have taken to rectify low Plant Load Factor problem in Uttar Pradesh ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU) : (a) and (b) During the year 1993-94, the Plant Load Factor of thermal power stations of UPSEB was 50.1% as against the target of 52.8%. The main reasons for low PLF of UPSEB plants are fund constraints, high forced outage rate and poor performance of some very old units due to aging factor etc.

(c) Various measures being taken for optimum utilisation of Installed Capacity in Uttar Pradesh include Renovation and Modernisation of old units, assisting the Electricity Board in undertaking Plant Betterment Programmes, supply of requisite quantity and quality of coal, training of operation and maintenance personnel and strengthening of the T&D system.

**News item regarding Bonanza to an American Company**

4531. SHRI O. P. KOHLI : Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item published in the Indian Express dated 9th March, 1994, under the caption "Salve's Bonanza for American Cartel"; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The imputation that the Minister of Power gave away a Bonanza to the American Company is totally baseless. A strong contradiction has already been sent by the Ministry to the editor of the newspaper concerned.

**Agreement between ENRON and MSEB**

4532. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN :
SHRI VIREN J. SHAH :

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Enron has entered into a Power Project Agreement (PPA) with Maharashtra State Electricity Board ;

(b) if so, what are the details of the agreement;

(c) whether the agreement is a complete departure from the norms set out by the Centre in the two part tariff notification; if so, what are the reasons therefor ;

(d) whether the project is woven around a fixed cost principle based on which the final tariff rate has been worked out ; and

(e) if so, what are the details and what is the capital cost of these projects ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE vlINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU) : (a) Yes, Sir.